



National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month May 2011

Office of Family Planning

Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program

Advocates for Youth sponsors National Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month (NTPPM). Observed each May by states and communities throughout the country, NTPPM is an educational campaign designed to help communities recognize that the effects of unintended teen pregnancy and early childbearing are far-reaching. The campaign increases the public's awareness of and commitment to teen pregnancy prevention. The campaign mobilizes communities to help young people develop responsible, positive behaviors and attitudes regarding sexuality.¹

Organizations that receive funds from either the Office of Family Planning's (OFP) Community Challenge Grant (CCG) or Information and Education (I&E) Programs frequently participate in this campaign. The following describes activities undertaken by some OFP Grantees during the 2011 campaign.

Fresno County

- Joint proclamations to the Fresno City Council and Fresno County Board of Supervisors recognizing May as Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month. The proclamations are co-sponsored by several organizations that conduct teen pregnancy prevention activities in Fresno County and are supported by CCG and I&E grants.
- 4th Annual Teen Pregnancy Prevention Recognition Event - Sponsored by Planned Parenthood Mar Monte and the Fresno County Office of Education, this event recognizes the efforts of community members, youth volunteers and staff of programs conducting pregnancy prevention activities. Individuals are nominated by others in the community and a review committee selects the individual who will be honored. Each honoree is provided with a small token of appreciation and a certificate recognizing them as someone who has gone above and beyond in their efforts to reduce teen pregnancy within Fresno County.
- Planned Parenthood Mar Monte will host youth in their Drop-In Center on Wednesday, May 4th for the "Take the Quiz Party." Youth will be provided with an opportunity to access a computer and take the National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy's Teen Pregnancy Prevention Quiz.² Participants will be registered for a raffle and food will be provided.

Contra Costa County

- The CCG Collaborative has been invited by Six Flags Discovery Kingdom to host tables in the Vallejo Theme Park for the Annual Teen Health and Safety Day on May 20, 2011. CCG sub-contractors will be distributing service brochures and encourage park visitors to take The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy's Teen Pregnancy Prevention Quiz on laptop computers, and engage in the HIV/STI Jeopardy Spin the Wheel Quiz. National Campaign lanyards, pens, and other donated prizes will be given to

¹ <http://www.advocatesforyouth.org/storage/advfy/documents/NTPPM-Planning-Guidebook-web.pdf>

² <http://www.stayteen.org/>

participants. Simulated, "Reality Check" dolls are displayed for teachers and administrators to learn and receive a hands-on experience of their "Babies" program. Local Family PACT flyers including clinic locations will also be distributed for Alameda, Contra Costa and Solano Counties, provided by Planned Parenthood Shasta-Diablo.

San Diego
County

- On May 6, 2021, YMCA of San Diego County Youth and Family Services will be tabling at Crawford High School passing out Teen Pregnancy Prevention postcards and buttons to students on campus during the lunch period.
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Santa Barbara,
Ventura and
San Luis
Obispo
Counties

- Planned Parenthood is organizing multiple Teen Pregnancy Prevention panels that will consist of teens in mentoring programs as well as parenting teens and educators. Participants will address their experiences with peer pressure and teen pregnancy, as well as offer advice to other teens to avoid unplanned pregnancies. In presenting this Teen Pregnancy Prevention panel before teen audiences and community collaboratives in both Ventura and Santa Barbara counties, Planned Parenthood hopes to further develop and strengthen county-wide efforts to prevent unplanned pregnancies.
 - Planned Parenthood is also using the month of May to table at local high schools and colleges, and hold assemblies to shine a light on TPP month, as well as to educate high risk youth on how to avoid teen pregnancy.
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Los Angeles
County

- JWCH Institute, Inc.'s I&E Program's Reproductive Awareness Program (RAP) and their CCG Program's Alliance for Teen Pregnancy Prevention (ATPP) programs will have peer educators draw pictures and create messages of what they have learned and/or heard from other program participants (their peers) from the program in preventing pregnancy to celebrate the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. The arts and messages created by participants will be posted on the RAP (www.myspace.com/jwch_rap) and ATPP (www.myspace.com/jwch_atpp) Myspace websites.
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Riverside
County

- MFI Recovery Center will hold its Teen Health Challenge on May 7, 2011. Twenty-seven agencies will provide a variety of information, education, and activities supporting teen health for teens and their families.
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